

*Potomac State College  
of  
West Virginia University*

*Social Club*



*1998*

*Spring Banquet*

*May 2, 1998  
Polish Pines  
Keyser, West Virginia*





POTOMAC STATE COLLEGE  
OF  
WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

SOCIAL CLUB

SPRING BANQUET

*honoring*

25 YEARS OF SERVICE

*M. Helen Jenkins*

RETIREMENT

*Rita M. Amtower*

*Joseph M. Gratto*

# ***PROGRAM***

## ***WELCOME***

***Richard Davis  
Master of Ceremonies***

## ***INVOCATION***

## ***DINNER***

## ***INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS***

## ***TESTIMONIALS***

***Rita Amtower***

***Paul Kesner***

***Joseph Gratto***

***Trevor Owen***

## ***PRESENTATION OF FIVE-YEAR PINS***

***Richard Davis***

## ***REMARKS***

***Kathryn A. Brailer***



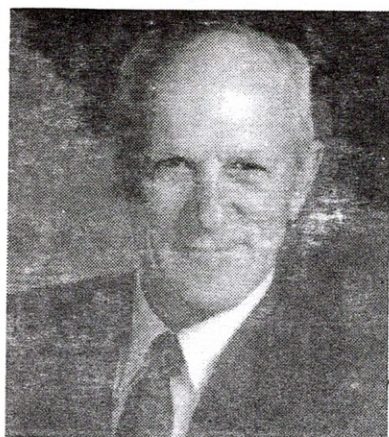
*Rita M. Amtower*

*Mrs. Rita Amtower is being honored upon retirement from her position as student health nurse at the college, where she nursed Potomac State students from 1984 to 1997. She had nursed others at Prince George's General Hospital and Potomac Valley Hospital and had been a developmental disabilities worker for Appalachian Mental Health before her long tenure at the college.*

*Many faculty members and students will remember Rita as a speaker on health-related topics in classes, such as Orientation I. Many others will remember her contributions to the college's Wellness Program.*

*Rita and her husband, Paul, have two married sons, Paul II and Bryan, and a daughter, Sue Ann. They also have two grandchildren, Christian and Jenna Amtower.*

*Rita and Paul enjoy many hobbies—golf, swimming, walking, going to the spa—in addition to their family.*



*Joseph M. Gratto*

*Dr. Joseph Gratto, professor of social sciences and former president of Potomac State College, traveled far and wide before arriving at the college in 1987. A college wrestling champion, he is to be inducted into the Lehigh University Athletic Hall of Fame this May. Besides holding down other wrestlers, he also holds degrees from four universities. He held considerable responsibilities as a faculty member and dean at DeVry Institute of Technology. Dr. Gratto also served as a Marine Corps officer from 1958 to 1979.*

*His partner through most of these adventures has been his wife, Barbara. The Grattos have two daughters, Katherine Revell, Miami, FL, and Susan Harrison, Sioux Falls, SD, and three granddaughters.*

*In the last ten years, Dr. Gratto has become a trustee of Davis and Elkins College, a member of Keyser Utility Board, a member of the Board of Directors of the Family Crisis Center, and a choir member at Trinity Lutheran Church.*

*With additional interests in reading, hiking, gardening and bridge, Dr. Gratto is sure to enjoy a rewarding, busy retirement.*



*M. Helen Jenkins*

*Mrs. Helen Jenkins is celebrating 25 years of working at Potomac State College. A graduate of the college, Helen worked in the Bookkeeping Department of the First National Bank of Piedmont before returning to the college as an employee.*

*Helen and her husband, Terry, have two sons. Jeffrey, the older, works at Westvaco, as does his dad. Joshua is a student at Potomac State.*

*Mrs. Jenkins will be long remembered as the college's cashier. Recently, she has moved across the hall to the Financial Aid Office.*

*When she is not at work, Helen exercises, swims, walks, reads and shops.*



*A Roster of Those Who Have Served  
Potomac State College of WVU  
for 25 Years or More*

*Ida Menefee	1902-1934
*William D. Anthony	1913-1946
*Rebecca Z. Carroll	1924-1966
*Ernest Kissinger	1935-1970
*Dana G. Lough	1935-1970
*Gertrude S. Stanhagen	1935-1973
*Ernest E. Church	1936-1964
*Kirkland S. McKee	1936-1963
*Ervin L. Dayton	1937-1970
*Nancy M. Miller	1937-1967
*Isabella R. Clifford	1938-1970
*David G. Nuzum	1938-1977
*Mary F. Shipper Byrer	1938-1973
*Albert O. Willhide	1938-1943, 1945-1972
Elizabeth Atwater Alexander	1939-1978
Leonard G. Withers	1939-1973
*James T. Handlan, Jr.	1942-1977
*Walter A. Jaworek	1942-1972
*Walter H. Boone	1943-1972
*Viola U. Lough	1943-1970
*Leontine B. Nuzum	1943-1973
Richard A. Smith	1945-1996
*Helen C. Criner	1946-1978
Paul F. Iverson	1946-1975
William E. Michael	1946-1979
Dewey V. Rotruck	1946-1982
Helen M. Hartman	1946-1947, 1957-1983
*Allen E. Murphy	1948-1985
Raymond H. Tasker	1949-1985
*Marion B. Fallon	1950-1956, 1962-1983
Kenneth F. Haines	1952-1996
*Albert A. Strother	1952-1979
*Rosie L. Wilson	1952-1979
Irene B. Hartman	1953-1983
Alan H. Paine	1954-1982



Thelma L. O'Connor	1955-1984
*Alyce Mae Smith	1955-1985
Oscar H. Gustafson	1956-1988
Wayman D. Hoalcraft	1956-1993
Elizabeth P. Hanlin	1957-1982
*Virginia E. Johnson	1957-1984
*J. Ernest Staggs	1957-1959, 1961-1985
Jack M. Hartman	1959-1986
*Kenneth M. Malone	1960-1985
Jasper T. Morris	1960-1987
*Mary Evelyn Coffman	1961-1986
*Frank H. Stewart	1961-1988
Charles D. Whitehill	1961-1996
Richard A Davis	1963
William H. Gallier	1963-1992
Betty J. Howard	1963-1989
Larry G. Bolyard	1964
Nancy M. Hockensmith	1965-1996
Harlene K. Ellis	1966-1995
Betty J. Haines	1966-1993
Francine G. Shanahan	1966-1996
David A. Whetzel	1966-1993
Dallas B. Shaffer	1967-1996
D. Anthony Whitmore	1967
Robert V. Doll	1968
William C. Edel	1969
Linda S. Lancaster	1969
Jeff R. Miller	1969
George T. Arnold	1970
Jack L. Reynolds	1970
Wanda L. Twyman	1970-1997
*Lester K. Beavers	1971-1997
Charlotte A. Rawlings	1971
Peter L. Paulson	1972
Harlan N. Shreve	1972
John C. Stone	1972
M. Helen Jenkins	1973

*\*Deceased*

## ***PSC Social Club Officers***

***1997-98***

*President*

Richard Davis

*Vice President*

Christine Hess

*Secretary/Treasurer*

Karen Peer

*Flower Chairperson*

Linda Lancaster

*Executive Committee*

Rebecca Wilkins

Peter Paulson

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